## West Virginia State-of-the-State Briefing – October 2010

System Inventory (CY2009)

Systems/Population

CWS 498 / 1,498,069 NTNC 122 / 39,313 TNC 456 / 32,911

## Rule Adoption

GWR & LCRSTR: adopted and final effective July 22, 2010

## DV Audit

One major concern noted in the final report is implementation for Stage 1 DBPR and LT1 ESWTR. Discrepancies noted for these two rules are for compliance determinations for monitoring and reporting. The state attributes its problems in compliance determinations to a lack of staff and failure to inform compliance officers that they could utilize SDWIS State web release 1.0 (SSWR1) to compute compliance determinations. The compliance determination tool had not been working correctly in SDWIS/State. Since the state did not have the manpower to manually do calculations to determine compliance, violations were not issued.

EPA did follow-up with the state on all the discrepancies noted in the report as part of the process to determine a strategy for the state to address these discrepancies.

## Lab Certification Program

EPA issued its Annual Certification Status Report of WVDHHR's Drinking Water Laboratory Certification Program on December 22, 2009 for the 2010 calendar year. The state laboratory retains certification for analytical methods of inorganic contaminants (except Thallium), lead and copper contaminants and microbiological techniques (except present-absence for Coliform). EPA has requested that WVDHHR provide proof of SDWA certification coverage for these parameters.

WVDHHR identified a need for its PSL to be certified to test for Disinfection Byproducts. The state had not had the equipment to test for these contaminants previously. However, EPA agrees with the state that it would be beneficial to have the PSL capable of providing certified results especially if a water system lab is having difficulties or unexplained results that could affect water quality. EPA approved the state's request for \$500,000 which will be taken from the 15% Set-aside to purchase the equipment. The state lab will provide the normal maintenance and expense to operate the lab equipment.

#### QMP/QAPP

Being reviewed by EPA.

### **SWP**

WVDHHR has continued to work with local communities and public water systems to emphasize the development of protective source water strategies. In support of source water protection, the state has provided ongoing training opportunities for water system operators thereby improving water system operation and ensuring compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). The state continues to successfully provide grants through the Source Water Protection Grants Program, to surface water and ground water community Public Water Systems (PWSs) to establish and implement water protection programs. The state has created a source water protection-tracking database which records completed protection activities and enhancements to source water assessment program and source water assessment and protection / wellhead protection (SWAP/WHP) assessments. WVDHHR has also built upon existing and new partnerships and inter-agency alliances in order to strengthen its drinking water program.

#### **OPCERT**

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#### **GRANTS**

### **PWSS**

2010 Award: \$793,500; Balance Remaining: \$131,829
 2011 Award: \$829,550; Partial Award: \$329,550

#### SRF SetAsides

WEST VIRGINIA SET-ASIDE UTILIZATION FOR ALL GRANTS Cumulative as of September 2010				
	Technical Assistance 2%	Program Management 10%	Local Assistance 15%	Total
CUMULATIVE AWARDED	\$657,796	\$2,743,354	\$4,933,470	\$8,334,620
EXPENDED	\$620,742	\$1,727,654	\$1,933,884	\$4,282,280
% EXPENDED	94%	62%	39%	51%
REMAINING BALANCE	\$37,054	\$1,015,700	\$2,999,586	\$4,052,340

❖ As part of keeping EPA abreast its financial status on the 10 and 15% SetAside activities on a more frequent basis, WV has agreed to begin submitting 1) purchase status reports

(upon receipt of them from your finance dept., minus the financial info for the entire Dept.) and 2) commitment projections (whenever staff resources permit), at a minimum on a quarterly basis. EPA will followup in December 2010.

# **ERG**

- ❖ WV EPA approved time extension of project period.
  - WV awarded \$1.4M, funds available \$866K, grant ends 12/2011.
  - Work completing through various contracts so invoicing has increased.
  - Moving toward sole-source purchase for mobile training trailer
  - Remaining funds to be rolled over to DWSRF (est. \$153K)